## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Original) A method of forming an electrocoating film comprising coating a work with an electrocoating composition curable by heating and irradiation with an activation energy beam in which an electrodepositing step, an aqueous cleaning step, a pre-baking step, an activation energy beam irradiation step, and a post-baking step are serially carried out in the order mentioned.

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- 2. (Original) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 1, wherein said activation energy beam irradiation step is carried out directly following said pre-baking step without cooling the work.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the heating in said post-baking step is continuous from said pre-baking step.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to any of Claims 1 to 3 claim 1, wherein said electrocoating composition comprises a resin composition containing sulfonium and propargyl groups.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to any of Claims 1 to 4 claim 1, wherein said electrocoating composition is a cationic electrocoating composition.
- 6. (Currently Amended) An electrocoating film which is formed by the method of forming an electrocoating film according to any of Claims 1 to 5 claim 1.

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7. (Original) An electrodeposited article having the electrocoating film according to Claim 6.

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- 8. (Original) A method of forming a multilayer film in which the electrocoating film according to Claim 6 is further coated with an overcoat.
- 9. (Original) A multilayer film which is formed by the method of forming a multilayer film according to Claim 8.
- 10. (Original) An article having the multilayer film according to Claim 9.
- 11. (New) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 2, wherein the heating in said post-baking step is continuous from said pre-baking step.
- 12. (New) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 2, wherein said electrocoating composition comprises a resin composition containing sulfonium and propargyl groups.
- 13. (New) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 3, wherein said electrocoating composition comprises a resin composition containing sulfonium and propargyl groups.
  - 14. (New) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claims 2, wherein said electrocoating composition is a cationic electrocoating composition.
  - 15. (New) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 3, wherein said electrocoating composition is a cationic electrocoating composition.
  - 16. (New) The method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 4, wherein said electrocoating composition is a cationic electrocoating composition.

17. (New) An electrocoating film which is formed by the method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 2.

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- 18. (New) An electrocoating film which is formed by the method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 3.
- 19. (New) An electrocoating film which is formed by the method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 4.
- 20. (New) An electrocoating film which is formed by the method of forming an electrocoating film according to Claim 5.